

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

STANLEY LEVISON

PART 9 OF 14

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STANLEY LEVISON

100-392452

SECTION 9

OPTIONAL FORM NO. 10
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-392452) DATE: 6/4/62

FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (100-111180)

SUBJECT: STANLEY LEVISON
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(OO: NY)

ReBulet to NY, dated 5/9/62, entitled, "MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.; SM-C."

Per Bureau instructions, LEVISON has been designated a key figure and appropriate FD-122 has been submitted.

It should be noted that with respect to the Bureau's request of any public source information concerning LEVISON's association with KING, the Albany office by letter dated 5/17/61, entitled, "HUNTER PITTS O'DELL; IS-C; ISA-1950" furnished the following information:

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The records of the Charities Registration Bureau of the New York State Department of Social Welfare, 91 State Street, as furnished to SA [redacted] by [redacted] on May 11, 1961, revealed:

The Committee to Aid the Southern Freedom Struggle, 312 West 125th Street, New York 27, filed the required State Registration Form on December 6, 1960. It reflected that the organization had been established on November 1, 1960, at New York City, and that the general purpose was to give support to the movement for constitutional and civil rights in the South through furnishing of technical assistance and dissemination of educational material, public education through meetings, legal aid to victims of discrimination, and support by financial means of local groups in the south carrying these aims.

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3-Bureau (100-392452) (RM)
(1-100-106670) (MARTIN LUTHER KING, Jr.)
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THE COMMITTEE TO AID THE SOUTHERN FREEDOM STRUGGLE

The Carnegie Hall Tribute to MARTIN LUTHER KING was designated as the name of the organization under which funds would be solicited and the reason for having this name was "simplification." The following officers were listed:

A. PHILIP RANDOLPH, 2588 7th Avenue, New York City
Co-chairman;

Reverend GARDNER C. TAYLOR, 833 Marcy Avenue, Brooklyn, New York
Co-chairman;

Reverend MARTIN LUTHER KING, 563 Johnson Avenue, Atlanta, Georgia
Co-chairman;

HARRY BELAFONTE, 300 Westend Avenue, New York City
Co-chairman;

Reverend THOMAS KILGORE, Jr., 144 West 131st Street, New York City
Executive Director;

STANLEY D. LEVISON, 100-11 67th Road, Forrest Hills, New York
Assistant Director.

An annual report is due from this organization within six months after October 31, 1961.

A second file on the Committee to Defend MARTIN LUTHER KING, Jr. and the Struggle for Freedom in the South, 312 West 125th Street, New York 27, was reviewed [redacted] because of the identical addresses and the similarity of many of the officers. b7C

The Registration report required by New York State was filed on August 11, 1960, and reflected:

The organization was started on March 7, 1960, at New York City by means of the adoption of resolutions by

a conference. A six months report is due on June 30, 1961. The purpose of the organization was to support the movement for desegregation in the south through various forms of public education and financial contributions. The object of the fund raising was to underwrite the legal expenses for the defense of MARTIN LUTHER KING, Jr., Reverend RALPH ABERNATHY, Reverend S.S. SAEY, Reverend J.E. LOWERY and Reverend F.L. SHUTTLESWORTH, the dissemination of educational materials through periodicals, letters and meetings, the provision to students of financial aid, the extension of facilities for organization, provisions of financial support, and technical assistance to Southern Christian Leadership Conference.

The officers were listed as:

A. PHILIP RANDOLPH, 217 West 125th Street, New York City - Chairman;

Reverend GARDNER C. TAYLOR, 833 Marcy Avenue, Brooklyn, New York - Chairman;

HOPE STEVENS, 310 Lenox Avenue, New York City - Board Chairman;

Reverend THOMAS KILGORE, Jr., 144 West 131st Street, New York City - Chairman of Religious Commission;

HARRY BELAFONTE, 300 Westend Avenue, New York City - Chairman of the Cultural Commission;

SIDNEY POITIER, 55 West 55th Street, New York City - Chairman of the Cultural Commission;

BAYARD RUSTIN, 203 West 107th Street New York City - Executive Director;

STANLEY D. LEVISON, 255 West 106th Street - Assistant Executive Director.

Albany should attempt to obtain a copy of the records containing the above information and furnish same to the Bureau and New York if this information is from a public source.

Report on LEVISON to follow. 255 West 106th Street is a former address of the subject. NY will attempt to ascertain if 100-11 67th Rd., Forrest Hills, New York, is also a former address of LEVISON.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-392452) DATE: 6/7/62

FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (100-111180)

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SUBJECT: STANLEY LEVISON
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[redacted] advised on 6/5/62, that subject plans to visit Ecuador in July. Informant cannot, at this time, furnish LEVISON's time of departure or mode of travel. LEVISON is known to have business interests in that area.

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WFO check passport records, Department of State, to determine if LEVISON has been issued a passport, and forward pertinent data to NYO.

Letterhead memo will be submitted when NYO is in possession of more detailed information re LEVISON's trip.

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1 - Mr. Kitchens

SAC, New York (100-136586) June 12, 1962

Director, FBI (100-106670)

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.
SECURITY MATTER - C

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Re New York letter 6-4-62 concerning Stanley David Levison and New York letter 5-29-62 concerning Hunter Pitts O'Dell.

Albany, Atlanta, and Mobile are requested to check appropriate New York, Georgia, and Alabama State records to determine if the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) has registered as a charitable organization. If registered, furnish Bureau pertinent information and two photostats of registration forms if they can be discreetly obtained. The Bureau is particularly desirous of obtaining public source information indicating that O'Dell and Levison are officers of the SCLC. For information of Albany, O'Dell is a key figure of the New York office and in charge of the New York office of the SCLC.

New York, Atlanta, and Mobile are requested to determine if SCLC stationery lists either O'Dell or Levison as officers in its letterhead. New York is requested to advise if the door to the SCLC office has O'Dell's name printed thereon and if the telephone and city directories list him as an officer of the SCLC.

All investigation conducted in this matter must be handled in a most discreet manner to preclude the possibility of disclosing the identities of informants or causing embarrassment to the Bureau.

Submit results of investigation in this matter to reach the Bureau within ten days of the receipt of this letter.

2 - Atlanta (100-5586)
2 - Albany
2 - Mobile
1 - Bufile 100-392452 (Levison)
1 - Bufile 100-358916 (O'Dell)

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Letter to New York
Re: Martin Luther King, Jr.
100-106670

NOTE ON YELLOW:

King subject of current security investigation. Levison closely associated with King and is Associate Director of SCLC. Above investigation being conducted to obtain public source information concerning Levison's and O'dell's CP background and their relationship with King.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-106670)

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (100-136585)

SUBJECT: MARTIN LUTHER KING
SM - C
(OO: ATLANTA)

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Enclosed herewith are six copies of a letterhead memorandum reporting a meeting between STANLEY LEVISON and MARTIN LUTHER KING, which took place at LEVISON's office, 6 East 39th Street, New York City, on 6/11/62.

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New York, New York
June 12, 1962

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Bureau file
100-106670

Re: Martin Luther King
Security Matter - C

A confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on June 11, 1962, that on that date, Martin Luther King visited the office of Stanley Levison, 6 East 39th Street, New York City.

Levison, at this time, told King that he was glad that King had followed his advice in calling off a planned sit-in demonstration in Atlanta, following the plane crash which took the lives of many prominent Atlantans. King agreed it was a good idea, a smart move which undoubtedly achieved better feelings toward his group.

Levison and King discussed future affairs planned by the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP). King detailed one in particular which they planned to hold at the Waldorf Hotel, indicating it would be scaled at $25.00 a plate with an expected attendance of 1,000. Levison commented that he thought it was priced too high and thought that 300 would be a more accurate figure for attendance.

Levison and King then discussed a new book authored by the lawyer, Edward Bennett Williams. Levison stated that Williams, in his book, the part concerned with civil rights, developes the same line that he, Levison, set out in the "speech". This is apparently a reference to the recent speech prepared for King by Levison. They both agreed that the similarity of development of thought, as contained in Williams' book and the speech, was amazing.

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Re: Martin Luther King

King then mentioned that a group is attempting to make arrangements for him to appear in a television series which would provide a vehicle for the transmission of his philosophy. He said that this group has already talked to sponsors and to the National Broadcasting Company (NBC) and Columbia Broadcasting System (CBS) studios. Levison commented that this possibility should be closely followed.

Following the discussion in the office, Levison accompanied King to the airline terminal, King indicating he was leaving the city that afternoon.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-392452)

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (100-111180)

SUBJECT: STANLEY LEVISON
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Re New York letter to Director, 6/7/62.

Enclosed herewith are six copies of a letterhead memorandum reflecting information concerning the travel itinerary of STANLEY LEVISON.

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For the information of WFO, [redacted] advised on 6/14/62, that LEVISON stated on that date that he did not believe it would be necessary for him to obtain a passport to travel to Equador.

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This memorandum is being classified "Confidential" because it contains information from the above two sources, the unauthorized disclosure of which would seriously impair the investigation of the CP, USA and such impairment could have an adverse effect upon the national defense interests of the country.

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In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

New York, New York
June 22, 1962

Bureau file 100-392452

RE: STANLEY DAVID LEVISON
SECURITY MATTER - C

A confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on June 21, 1962, that on that date, Stanley Levison indicated that he was planning to travel to Equador on July 4, 1962, via KLM Airlines.

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Levison was born on May 2, 1912, in New York City. He resides at 585 West End Avenue, New York City, and is an attorney and businessman with an office at 6 East 39th Street, New York City.

A second confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised in 1962, that Stanley Levison is a secret member of the Communist Party.

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1 - Mr. Rosen
1 - Mr. Sullivan
1 - Mr. Baumgardner
1 - Mr. Bland
1 - Mr. Forsyth
1 - Mr. Haack
1 - Mr. Kitchens

The Attorney General

June 25, 1962

Director, FBI

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MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.
SECURITY MATTER - C

You will recall that I have previously furnished you with information concerning the influence which Stanley David Levison, a secret member of the Communist Party (CP), exerts on King.

According to a confidential source who has furnished reliable information in the past, Levison told Hunter Pitts O'Dell on June 20, 1962, that in a recent conversation with King, King said he was thinking of getting another administrative assistant. When Levison recommended O'Dell for the job, King said he liked the suggestion, adding, "No matter what a man was, if he could stand up now and say he is not connected, then as far as I am concerned, he is eligible to work for me." It is noted that O'Dell was elected under a pseudonym to the National Committee of the CP, USA, at the 17th National Convention of the CP, USA, in December, 1959.

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The Mark Lane referred to is NOT RECORDED [illegible] the Mark Lane who is a member of the New York State Assembly and was recently defeated for the nomination as Congressman in the 19th Congressional District of New York. He has spoken at rallies and has been involved in the activities of subversive groups since 1953. John Harrington has not been further identified.

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1 - 100-409763 (Lane)
1 - 100-392451 (Bennett)
1 - 100-358916 (O'Dell)
1 - 100-392452 (Levison)

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The Attorney General

Levison then told O'Dell that when Bennett refused, Lane and Harrington told Bennett they would be willing to see you to tell you to be sure "they lay off" Bennett if he should run.

Levison also said that if O'Dell and King should reach an agreement, it would be possible for King to see you and say "lay off this guy" (O'Dell).

This information has been classified "Top Secret" because of the sensitive nature of our sources.

1 - The Deputy Attorney General

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-106670)

FROM: [SAC, NEW YORK (100-136585)]

SUBJECT: MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.
SM - C

Enclosed herewith are eight copies of a letterhead memorandum reflecting a conversation between HUNTER PITTS O'DELL and STANLEY LEVISON on 6/20/62.

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Bureau file 100-106670

Re: Martin Luther King, Jr.
Security Matter - C

A confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on June 20, 1962, that on that date, Stanley Levison conversed with Hunter Pitts O'Dell and they discussed the following:

Levison stated that in a recent conversation with Martin Luther King, King said he was thinking of getting another administrative assistant. Levison stated that in the past, Levison had not considered it wise for O'Dell to take on such a position but he is the only one who could do the job and should be considered for it. Levison stated as long as O'Dell did not have the title of Executive Director, there would not be "as much lightning flashing around him". O'Dell could be called a Coordinator and still fulfill all the duties of an Executive Director.

Levison stated that King liked Levison's suggestion with respect to O'Dell taking this position because King felt that O'Dell must face it sooner or later, stating "that no matter what a man was, if he could stand up now and say he is not connected, then as far as I am concerned, he is eligible to work for me."

Levison then told O'Dell that Levison's brother, Roy Bennett, had been approached by political leaders Mark Lane and John Harrington to run for the State Assembly in New York, but Bennett refused, because he thought "it" would come out.

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Re: Martin Luther King, Jr.

Levison claimed that the people that approached Bennett were really desperate and when Bennett refused they told him that they would be willing to see "Bobby Kennedy" (Attorney General Robert Kennedy) to tell him to be sure "they" lay off Bennett if he would run. Levison also stated that there is a possibility that if O'Dell and King could reach an agreement, it is possible that King could go down to Kennedy and say, "Lay off this guy".

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Roy Bennett is the twin brother of Stanley Levison.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-392452) DATE: 7/12/62

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FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (100-111180)

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SUBJECT: STANLEY LEVISON
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Re New York airtel 6/22/62, furnishing subject's itinerary.

Enclosed herewith are six copies of a letterhead memorandum reflecting information concerning LEVISON's departure date from the United States.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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New York, New York
July 12, 1962

Bureau 100-392452

Re: Stanley Levison
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

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STANLEY DAVID LEVISON

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Report of SA [redacted] dated 1/10/62, at NY. b7c

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[redacted] advised on 3/30/62, that on that date, WYATT TEE WALKER telephoned LEVISON at his office in NYC from Washington, D.C. WALKER stated that he was calling for DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING who wanted to get an opinion from LEVISON and WALKER as to what might be KING's strategy in pushing Judge WILLIAM HENRY HASTIE of the Third Circuit Court of Appeals to replace Justice CHARLES EVANS WITTAKER who was resigning from the Supreme Court. LEVISON proceeded to give his opinions as to what strategy KING should take in this letter the details of which were furnished to the Bureau by airtel dated 3/30/62. b2 b7D

[redacted] advised on 4/10/62, that LEVISON was issued a subpoena to appear in Washington, D.C., on 4/30/62. b2 b7D

[redacted] advised on 5/1/62, that LEVISON stated on that date that he had appeared before the "Eastland Committee" on the previous day (4/30/62).

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With respect to this testimony before the committee, LEVISON stated that Senator MC CLELLAN remarked that he (LEVISON) was the worst witness that had appeared before them.

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[redacted] advised on 5/8/62, that on that date STANLEY LEVISON stated that he had finished preparing a speech that DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING would make before the United Packing House Workers of America, AFL-CIO at their forthcoming convention. LEVISON stated the speech had to be typed and that he would have it ready for DR. KING on 5/17/62. b2 b7D

[redacted] advised on 6/11/62, that on that date, MARTIN LUTHER KING visited the office of STANLEY LEVISON at 6 East 39th St., NYC. b2 b7D

LEVISON and KING discussed future affairs that were planned by the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People and also a new book authored by the lawyer EDWARD BENNETT WILLIAMS.

KING then mentioned that a group is attempting to make arrangements for him to appear in a television series which would provide a vehicle for the translation of his philosophy, LEVISON commented that this possibly should be closely followed.

All of the above information has previously been reported to the Bureau in appropriate communications.

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The pretext call on 7/3/62, was made by SA [redacted] b7C
The pretext used was [redacted] b7E

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At New York, New York

Will follow and report subject's CP activity.

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Report of: [redacted] b7C
Date: 7/16/62

Office: New York, New York

Field Office File No.: New York 100-111180

Bureau File No.: 100-392452

Title:
STANLEY DAVID LEVISON

Character:
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

Synopsis:

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DETAILS:

I. BACKGROUND

Residence and Employment

A pretext telephone call to the subject's wife on July 3, 1962, determined that the subject presently resides at 585 West End Avenue, New York, New York. In addition it was determined that LEVISON, as an attorney, maintains an office at 6 East 39th Street, New York City.

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Title Stanley David Levison

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Reference is made to the report of Special Agent [redacted] dated and captioned as above at New York. b7C

All sources (except any listed below) whose identities are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable information in the past.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-392452) DATE: 7/31/62

FROM : SAC, ALBANY (100-15009)(P)

SUBJECT: STANLEY LEVISON
IS - C

(OO: New York)

Re New York letter to the Bureau dated 6/4/62. b7C

On July 17, 1962, [redacted] Charities Registration Bureau of the New York State Department of Social welfare, 91 State Street, Albany, New York, advised SA [redacted] that the Carnegie Hall Tribute Organization had been dissolved. He advised that no annual report had ever been received from this organization, and also that a letter dated September 22, 1961, had been received from a STANLEY D. LEVISON, 6 East 39th Street, New York 16, New York, advising that this organization had been formally dissolved about a year ago because of the acquittal of Dr. KING, and there had been no need for solicitation of funds and there would be no future solicitation of funds.

In regard to the Committee to Defend MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. and Aid The Struggle for Freedom in the South, 312 West 125th Street, New York 27, New York, [redacted] advised that this organization had been dissolved on October 6, 1961. b7C

[redacted] advised that by letter dated June 18, 1962, to the Committee to Aid the Struggle for Freedom in the South, 312 West 125th Street, New York 27, New York, his organization informed this committee that their registration b7C

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(1 - 100-106670)(MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.)
2 - New York (100-111180)(RM)
(1 - 100-136585)(MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.)
2 - Albany (100-15009)

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had been cancelled. He stated that their letter advised the above committee that the registration had been cancelled due to the fact that an annual report had not been filed. He also stated that this letter advised the committee that they must reregister before lawful solicitation of funds could begin, and his organization enclosed forms to the committee in the event they wished to reregister.

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[redacted] advised that this committee would have approximately one month from the date of the above letter to reregister. He advised that in the event that they did not hear from the committee the matter would in all probability be referred to the New York State Attorney General's Office for appropriate action.

LEADS:

AT ALBANY, NEW YORK:

Will recontact the Charities Registration Bureau of the New York State Department of Social Welfare, 91 State Street, Albany, New York, and determine if the Committee to Aid the Struggle For Freedom in the South reregisters with that organization.

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ReNYairtel to Director, 6/22/62.

Enclosed herewith are six copies of a letterhead memorandum reflecting that the subject returned to NYC on or about 7/31/62.

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Re: Stanley Levison
Internal Security - C

A confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on July 31, 1962, that on that date, he received information that Stanley Levison had just returned to New York City from his trip to South America.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-392452) DATE: 8/14/62

FROM : SAC, WFO (100-40563) (RUC)

SUBJECT: STANLEY LEVINSON
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(OO: NY)

Remylet, 7/10/62, advising that WFO would recheck passport files.

On 8/10/62, personnel of the Passport Office, U. S. Department of State, advised IC [redacted] b7c that passport files contain no record on the subject.

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1-WFO

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-106670)

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (100-136585)

SUBJECT: MARTIN LUTHER KING
SM - C
(00: Atlanta)

Enclosed herewith are 8 copies of a letterhead memorandum reflecting a conversation between STANLEY LEVISON and an unidentified male that took place in LEVISON's office, 6 East 39th Street, New York City, on 8/3/62.

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(1 - 100-3-75) (CP, USA - NEGRO QUESTION)

2 - Atlanta (100-) (MARTIN LUTHER KING) (Encls. 2) (Info) (RM)
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Re: Martin Luther King
Security Matter - C

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A confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on August 3, 1962, that on that date Stanley Levison had a conversation with an unidentified male in Levison's office located at 6 East 39th Street, New York City.

Levison told the unidentified male that Clarence (believed to be Clarence Jones, who is associated with fund raising projects on behalf of Martin Luther King, and the Southern Christian Leadership Conference) had informed him of a telephone conversation that had taken place between "Bobby" Kennedy and Martin Luther King.

Clarence told Levison that when King was considering violating the Federal Injunction (apparently at Albany, Georgia), he informed Kennedy of this decision and according to Clarence "He could hear Bobby Kennedy fall at the other end of the phone. That's how absolutely shocked he was".

Clarence also informed Levison that Kennedy attempted to talk King out of violating the Injunction and King "began telling him off in real tough terms".

Levison then told the unidentified male that yesterday (August 2, 1962) he had received a copy of a letter from King, from jail, in which King called on Kennedy to arrest the City Council in

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Re: Martin Luther King

Albany, Georgia, under a Federal Statute, for depriving Negroes of their civil rights.

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Date of Mail 8-16-62

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See File 66-2554-7530 for authority.

Subject JUNE MAIL Stanley Levison

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-392452)

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (100-111180)

SUBJECT: STANLEY LEVISON
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On 8/16/62, at 4:50 AM, [redacted] mate unit covering subject's office, was temporarily removed for security reasons, as information received that new telephone system to be installed in LEVISON's office.

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FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (100-136585)

SUBJECT: MARTIN LUTHER KING
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Enclosed herewith are 10 copies of a letterhead memorandum reflecting a conversation between STANLEY LEVISON and HUNTER PITTS O'DELL on 8/7/62, and also a conversation between LEVISON and CLARENCE JONES on 8/7/62.

It should be noted that CLARENCE JONES is possibly identical with CLARENCE BENJAMIN JONES (Bufile 100-407018) (New York file 100-73250). [redacted] has advised that the CLARENCE JONES referred to in the letterhead memorandum has recently moved to 5505 Independence Avenue, Bronx 71, New York.

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(1 - 100-3-75) (CP, USA - NEGRO QUESTION)
3 - Atlanta (100-) (Encls. 3) (Info) (RM)
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1 - New York (100-136585) (415)

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Re: Martin Luther King
Security Matter - C

A confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on August 7, 1962, that on that date, Stanley Levison had a conversation with "Jack" O'Dell (Hunter Pitts O'Dell).

Levison asked O'Dell how things were going in Albany, Georgia. O'Dell replied that "we" have a leadership problem down there and that things could get quite disorganized if "our" staff was not there. Levison then asked what the results were of a meeting "at Kennedy's office".

O'Dell informed Levison that Wyatt (Wyatt Tee Walker, official of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference), had contacted O'Dell on the previous evening and told him that all they came up with was the original idea that Kunstler (William M. Kunstler, New York City Attorney) had come up with regarding a writ of habeas corpus.

Levison stated that he felt Walker had selected the wrong people to attend the meeting and that Ted Kheel (Theodore Kheel, New York City Attorney) and Harry Wachtel (New York City Attorney) were boiling mad because they were not invited to the meeting. Levison stated that Walker should have contacted Levison and asked his advice as to who should have attended the conference in "Kennedy's office".

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Re: Martin Luther King

O'Dell, in an attempt to explain why Kheel and Wachtel possibly were not invited, stated that the meeting had to be kept quiet and free of any press coverage.

Levison and O'Dell then discussed the possibility of organizing a delegation of important people to go down to Albany, Georgia. They were in agreement that this would be a good idea and planned to discuss it in detail in the near future.

The confidential source also advised that on August 7, 1962, Levison had a conversation with Clarence Jones (who has taken part in fund raising campaigns on behalf of Martin Luther King and the Southern Christian Leadership Conference).

Levison and Jones discussed plans for meetings to be held probably September 25, 1962, [redacted] at Carnegie Hall and in Westchester (County). Levison stated the purpose to be derived from the meetings is to put greater pressure on Albany (Georgia) and the White House. Levison told Jones that he and Jack O'Dell would come to Jones' home on August 8, 1962, where they could discuss in further detail plans for the above meeting.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-392452) DATE: 9/21/62

FROM : SAC, ALBANY (100-15009) (RUC)

SUBJECT: STANLEY LEVISON
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(OO: NEW YORK)

Re Albany letter to Bureau 7/31/62.

On 9/18/62 [redacted] b7C
Charities Registration Bureau of New York State Department of Social Welfare, 91 State Street, Albany, New York, advised SA [redacted] b7C that the Committee to Aid the Struggle for Freedom in the South, 312 West 125th Street, New York 27, New York, had not re-registered and, therefore, their registration had been cancelled as of May 8, 1962. He stated that inasmuch as his organization had heard nothing in regard to whether this Committee desired to re-register, the matter had been referred to the New York State Attorney General's Office for appropriate action.

CC: (3) - Bureau (100-392452) (RM)
(1 - 100-106670 MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.)
2 - New York (100-111180) (RM)
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Memorandum

TO :Mr. W. C. Sullivan SECRET DATE: September 27, 1962

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1-- Mr. Belmont
1-- Mr. Sullivan
1-- Mr. Evans
1-- Mr. Bland
1-- Mr. Haack
1-- Mr. Floyd

FROM :Mr. J. F. Bland

SUBJECT: MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.
SECURITY MATTER - C

In accordance with the Director's request for a concise memorandum concerning the background of Martin Luther King and his relations with Stanley David Levison and the Communist Party (CP), the following is submitted.

Background of King

King, well-known Southern Negro leader, is President of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) and is copastor with his father of the Ebenezer Baptist Church, Atlanta, Georgia. He was born in Atlanta, Georgia, 1-15-29. King received an A.B. degree from Morehouse College, 1948; a Bachelor of Divinity degree from Crozer Theological Seminary, 1951; and a Doctor of Philosophy degree from Boston University, 1955. He has received numerous honorary degrees from Northern and Negro colleges. King became nationally prominent during 1955 and 1956 when he organized the successful protest that ended bus segregation in Montgomery, Alabama. He was selected one of ten outstanding personalities in 1956 by "Time" magazine.

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Communist Influence on King

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The speech delivered by King before a conventinn of the American Federation of Labor-Congress of Industrial Organizations held at Miami, Florida, in December, 1961, was reportedly written for King by Levison. Furnished the Attorney General (AG) on 8-2-62.

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Memorandum to Mr. Sullivan
Re: Martin Luther King, Jr.
100-106670

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On 4-16-62 [redacted] and [redacted] furnished information b2 b7D that Levison was forming in King's name an organization to be known as the Ghandi Society for Human Rights. Levison planned to send invitations signed by King to about twenty prominent people to attend a luncheon on 5-17-62 in Washington, D. C. The President and the AG, as well as other prominent individuals, were among those being considered for invitation. Furnished White House and AG 4-20-62.

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In June, 1962, Levison told O'Dell that in a recent conversation with King, King said he was thinking of getting another administrative assistant. When Levison recommended O'Dell for the job, King said he liked the suggestion, adding, "No matter what a man was, if he can stand up now and say he is not connected, then as far as I am concerned, he is eligible to work for me." Furnished AG 6-25-62.

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Memorandum to Mr. Sullivan
Re: Martin Luther King, Jr.
100-106670

On 8-3-62 Clarence Jones, who is an attorney and presently Executive Director of the Ghandi Society for Human Rights, New York City, told Levison that when King was considering violating the Federal injunction (apparently at Albany, Georgia), King informed Kennedy of this decision. He said "Bobby" Kennedy was absolutely shocked. Jones said that the AG attempted to talk King out of violating the injunction and that King "began telling him off in real tough terms." Levison told Jones that on 8-2-62 he had received a copy of a letter from King from jail in which King called on Kennedy to arrest the City Council in Albany, Georgia, under a Federal statute for depriving Negroes of their civil rights. Furnished AG 8-8-62.

Clarence Jones was a member of the Labor Youth League (LYL) about 1954 in New York City while he was a student at Columbia University. The LYL has been designated pursuant to Executive Order 10450. In May, 1952, he denounced the State Department ban on traveling behind Iron Curtain countries. He is currently under investigation. b2 b7D

[redacted] advised on 8-7-62 that while in conversation with O'Dell, Levison asked how things were in Albany, Georgia. He replied that there was a leadership problem down there and that things could get quite disorganized if "our" staff was not there. Furnished AG 8-10-62.

On 9-10-62 NY [redacted] advised that on the afternoon of that date Jones and Levison were discussing burning of churches in the South. Both expressed the opinion that King should not be silent in this matter but should send a hot wire to "Kennedy" expressing his indignance at the Government's failure to control one small community. Levison and Jones agreed the telegram should say something to the effect that the world-wide obligations of the United States are so great that it cannot take care of a small community. Furnished AG 9-11-62. b2 b7D

OBSERVATIONS:

CP influence upon King and his organizations is evidenced by activities of Levison, O'Dell, and Hudson, all active in CP affairs, and Jones, who has a subversive background and is active on King's behalf.

ACTION:

For the information of the Director.

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FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (100-111180)

SUBJECT: STANLEY DAVID LEVISON
IS-C
(OO: NY)

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As the Bureau is aware, Negro leader MARTIN LUTHER KING depends on LEVISON for advice on a wide variety of subjects. Also, it has been developed that LEVISON gives a great deal of advice to HUNTER PITTS O'DELL, Bureau file 100-358916, who is active in the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC), an organization with which KING is closely associated.

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Tesur coverage of LEVISON's office at 6 East 39th Street, New York City [redacted], has provided evidence that LEVISON communicates frequently by telephone with KING and O'DELL from his residence at 585 West End Avenue, New York City. b2 b7D

Bureau authority is requested to conduct a survey directed toward instituting tesur coverage at LEVISON's residence, 585 West End Avenue, New York City, Apartment 3D. The telephone at LEVISON's residence is SU 7-1430, and is listed in the name of STANLEY D. LEVISON.

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STANLEY DAVID LEVISON
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Provided full security is assured, authority is granted to conduct a tesur survey at Levison's residence, Apartment 3-D, 585 West End Avenue, New York City, telephone number SU-7-1430. Promptly advise the Bureau concerning results of your survey and also furnish your comments concerning any security factors involved.

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Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-392452) DATE: 11/15/62

FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (100-111180-Sub 6)

SUBJECT: STANLEY DAVID LEVISON
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(OO: NY)

JUNE

Re NY airtel, 8/16/62.

Security situation regarding mate unit covering subject's office [redacted] has not changed to date.

Present coverage of LEVISON includes a tesur [redacted] covering his office at 6 E. 39th St., NYC. Also a tesur survey of subject's residence at 585 West End Ave. has been completed and Bureau authority to install has been requested in separate communication.

It is felt that these two tesurs will give comprehensive coverage of LEVISON's activities. It is, therefore recommended that mate unit covering subject's office be permanently discontinued.

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INTERNAL SECURITY - C

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Reurlet dated 11-15-62.

Remain alert in this matter and if you find that further consideration should be given installation of a microphone surveillance at the subject's office, submit your recommendation accordingly.

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From: Director, FBI (100-392452)-/73 JUNE

STANLEY DAVID LEVISON
EX-I SECURITY MATTER - C

Provided full security assured, authority granted install tesur residence of Levison, 585 West End Avenue, New York City, telephone number SU 7-1430.

Advise time, date of installation and symbol number. Sulet justification 30 days after installation and each three months thereafter. [redacted] b1 [redacted] C

For record purposes this coverage on the residence and business of subject should be considered one tesur when submitting your monthly letter entitled "Confidential Informant and Similar Types of Coverage."

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SUBJECT: STANLEY DAVID LEVISON
INTERNAL SECURITY -C
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Bureau authority requested to install tesur to cover SU 7-1430, telephone at LEVISON's residence, apartment 3-D, 585 West End Avenue.

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November 20, 1962

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

RE: STANLEY DAVID LEVISON
SECURITY MATTER - C

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In view of (C) this, I recommend that authority be granted to install a technical surveillance in Levison's residence located at 585 West End Avenue, New York City, or to any residence to which he may move in the future.

SENT FROM D. O.
TIME 1:50 PM
DATE 11-20-62
BY

Respectfully,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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NOTE: See memo Bland to Sullivan, same caption, 11/19/62, [redacted] Classified SECRET in view of the nature of the technique involved, disclosure of which could seriously affect the national defense.

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TO : Mr. W. C. Sullivan SECRET DATE: November 19, 1962

FROM : Mr. J. F. Bland

SUBJECT: STANLEY DAVID LEVISON
SECURITY MATTER - C

1 - Mr. Belmont
1 - Mr. Sullivan
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New York has requested authority to install a technical surveillance in subject's residence, Apartment 3-D, 585 West End Avenue, New York City, telephone SU 7-1430.

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A survey conducted on Bureau authority disclosed installation can be made with complete security. Installation of technical surveillance in Levison's office was authorized by airtel 3/20/62.

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Memorandum to Mr. Sullivan
RE: STANLEY DAVID LEVISON
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RECOMMENDATION:

Attached for approval is a memorandum to the Attorney General requesting authority to install a technical surveillance on Levison's residence, Apartment 3-D, 585 West End Avenue, New York City.

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PERSONAL ATTENTION
JUNE

Mr. J. F. Malone
Assistant Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
201 East 69th Street
New York 21, New York

Dear Mr. Malone:

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If for any reason you do not utilize this surveillance, the Bureau should be notified in order that its records may be maintained in a current status.

Very truly yours,

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John Edgar Hoover
Director

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NOTE:

Technical surveillance authorized by AG 11-20-62. New York Office notified by airtel dated 11-21-62.

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FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (100-111180-SUB 10) JUNE

SUBJECT: STANLEY DAVID LEVISON
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ReBuairtel, 11/21/62.

Tesur covering LEVISON's residence, 585 West End Avenue, New York City, telephone number SU 7-1430, installed 2:30 PM, this date. Symbol number [redacted] Full security assured. [redacted] (C)

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-358916)

FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (100-91330)

SUBJECT: HUNTER PITTS O'DELL
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[redacted] advised on 12/7/62, that on that date, CLARENCE JONES, who is the acting executive director of the Ghandi Society for Human Rights, contacted STANLEY LEVISON at LEVISON's apartment in NYC.

JONES and LEVISON discussed the advance ticket sale of the affair to be held in Westchester, NY on December 11, 1962, that will benefit the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC). LEVISON and JONES expressed disappointment in the advance sale, stating they will make a profit (for SCLC), but not as much a profit as they had anticipated.

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JONES stated that he had spoken to JACK (HUNTER PITTS O'DELL) that day (12/7/62) and JACK mentioned working as a volunteer. LEVISON then stated that"they (SCLC) accepted his (O'DELL's) resignation and he received severance pay for a number of weeks and then off the payroll for around 30 days, and then they will reconsider and probably rehire him so it is entirely consistent with the statement issued." (By the SCLC).

JONES also mentioned that JACK had talked about going down there (Atlanta) around the middle of December and talk with MARTIN (LUTHER KING).

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DIRECTOR, FBI (100-358916) 12/4/62

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HUNTER PITTS O'DELL
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(OO: NY)

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It is noted that information concerning O'DELL being a concealed member of the Party's National Committee appeared in the Long Island Star - Journal newspaper in New York, on 10/26/62, and that similar information has also appeared in southern newspapers.

The characterization of LEVISON as set forth in New York letterhead of 11/15/62, also has been used in a New York report on LEVISON classified "Confidential". X

The Bureau is requested to advise whether the classification "Secret" should be afforded all future letterheads and reports in which these characterizations may be used either separately or together in the same communication or whether the classification "Secret" should be afforded only to letterhead memoranda and reports on MARTIN LUTHER KING in which these characterizations may be used.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-106670)

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (100-136585)

SUBJECT: MARTIN LUTHER KING
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(OO: ATLANTA)

Enclosed herewith are eight copies of a letterhead memorandum reflecting a conversation between STANLEY LEVISON and New York Attorney WILLIAM KUNTSLER, at New York City, on 12/4/62.

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Re: Martin Luther King
Internal Security - COMMUNIST

A confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on December 4, 1962, that on that date, Stanley Levison had a discussion with New York Attorney William Kuntsler.

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Levisonand Kuntsler discussed the sale of tickets for the affair being held at the Westchester County Center, White Plains, New York, on December 11, 1962. This affair, which will feature entertainers Sammy Davis, Jr., and Peter Lawford, will benefit the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC). Martin Luther King is the President of the SCLC.

Kuntsler informed Levison that the ticket sales will increase daily up to the night of the affair and that the box office sales on that night should be good. Levison told Kuntsler that Kuntsler should make suggestions to Martin Luther King for King's speech to be made at this affair.

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Re: Martin Luther King

Kuntsler and Levison then discussed the segregation problem in Jackson, Mississippi. Kuntsler stated that he had been in Jackson, Mississippi, four weeks ago and fired up the Negro community when he spoke in seven different places and told them they have to fend for themselves in Jackson now as in Albany (Georgia) and not have freedom riders from the outside. Kuntsler commented that Jackson, Mississippi is terribly segregated and at this time there is no Negro movement. However, they have a wonderful plan starting with a seven man picket line.....white and Negro and then the college students coming in and then followed by a massive Christmas boycott. Levison commented that Mississippi always has been a problem with respect to segregation.

Kuntsler then told Levison that he hopes to have Martin Luther King duplicate the walk made by William Seward on January 1, 1863, from Lafayette Square to the White House, with the Emancipation Proclamation. Kuntsler wants King to make this same walk on January 1, 1963, at which time he would be presented with a check for $35,000 at the White House, to be used for the Ghandi Society for Human Rights. According to Kuntsler, this check would symbolize that now the Negro has become full grown. Kuntsler would like to have Carl Sandberg or Robert Frost accompanying King on this walk. However, he has already ascertained that Sandberg has prior commitments for that day. Levison commented that he did not like the idea of a check being presented. Kuntsler stated that he did not believe that the President would be at the White House on New Years and thinks they could get an okay to walk into the White House.

ATTORNEY GENERAL AND O'DONNELL } being ADVISED.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-106670)
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FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (100-136585)

SUBJECT: MARTIN LUTHER KING
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(OO: ATLANTA)

Enclosed herewith are six copies of a letterhead memorandum reflecting a conversation between CLARENCE JONES, Executive Director of the Ghandi Society for Human Rights, and STANLEY LEVISON, which took place in New York City, on 12/19/62.

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New York, New York
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Re: Martin Luther King
Internal Security - C

A confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on December 19, 1962, that Clarence Jones, Executive Director of the Ghandi Society for Human Rights, and Stanley Levison, had a discussion in New York City, on December 19, 1962.

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Jones mentioned to Levison that Jones had recently talked with Martin Luther King. According to Jones, King had just seen President Kennedy the previous day and was most impressed with the President's knowledge of King's writings and with the President's awareness of events in the civil rights field. It was obvious to King that President Kennedy was well briefed prior to the meeting, but apparently had also done some reading along this line. According to King, the President is so well informed that he cites "your own material to you".

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Re: Martin Luther King

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Levison asked what specific points the President cited to King. Jones replied that he also wanted to know the answer to this question but that King was on the run catching a plane and did not have time to go into detail. Levison told Jones that it would be worthwhile for Jones to make a call to King to find out the specific points that President Kennedy pointed out in his conversation with King because these points could be used as a guide line by King to determine the Administration's thinking with respect to the civil rights problem.

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[redacted] advised on 8/3/62, that LEVISON, in conversation with an unidentified male, stated that CLARENCE JONES, Director of the Ghandi Society For Human Rights, had informed LEVISON of a telephone conversation which took place between "BOBBY" KENNEDY, and MARTIN LUTHER KING. According to JONES, KING was contemplating violating the Federal Injunction at Albany, Georgia, and this shocked KENNEDY. When KENNEDY tried to talk KING out of violating the injunction, KING told KENNEDY off in "real rough terms." b2 b7D

[redacted] advised on 8/7/62, that on that date, LEVISON conversed with HUNTER PITTS O'DELL regarding the racial situation in Albany, Georgia. LEVISON was irritated that "at a meeting at KENNEDY's office," certain people were not invited who should have been invited, according to LEVISON. O'DELL, in an attempt to explain this, stated that the meeting had to be kept quiet and free of any press coverage. LEVISON and O'DELL then discussed the possibility b2 b7D

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of organizing a delegation of important people to go down to Albany, Georgia.

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[redacted] advised on 9/10/62, that on that date, LEVISON expressed the opinion to CLARENCE JONES that MARTIN LUTHER KING should not be silent in regard to the church burnings in the South. LEVISON stated that KING should send a "hot wire" to the President along the lines that the Government cannot control a small community. JONES stated he would relay LEVISON's opinion to KING by telephone that evening.

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[redacted] advised on 11/14/62, that STANLEY LEVISON had a discussion, on that date, with "LOTTIE" KUNTSLER, wife of NY attorney, WILLIAM KUNTSLER. Mrs. KUNTSLER stated that she had heard that there was a story in a New Orleans, Louisana, newspaper to the effect that JACK O'DELL (HUNTER PITTS O'DELL) had resigned from the SCLC. LEVISON advised Mrs. KUNTSLER that JACK O'DELL has denied any active participation in the CP and offered to resign from the SCLC in order to avoid any embarrassment to that organization. LEVISON stated that he believes MARTIN LUTHER KING and the SCLC are holding the resignation in abeyance because they first wanted a conference with the paper carrying the story that O'DELL had been active in the CP.

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[redacted] advised on 12/4/62, that STANLEY LEVISON, on that date, held a discussion with NY attorney WILLIAM KUNTSLER. They discussed the sale of tickets for an affair being held at the Westchester County Center, White Plains, NY, on 12/11/62. This affair, which will feature entertainers SAMMY DAVIS, JR., and PETER LAWFORD, will benefit the SCLC of which MARTIN LUTHER KING is President.

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Title: STANLEY DAVID LEVISON

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PART II

I. Travel

STANLEY LEVISON returned to New York City from his trip to Ecuador on, or about, July 31, 1962.

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STANLEY DAVID LEVISON
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The Bureau desires that you conduct a thorough and searching review of your file on Levison. Direct your efforts towards ascertaining the following:

(1) Communist Party (CP) and CP front activities.

(2) Affiliation of Levison with organizations connected in any manner with Martin Luther King, Jr., and organizations under King's control and sponsorship.

(3) Specific instances where King has been influenced by Levison, including any pressures or suggestions by Levison to influence King or his organizations.

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Your review in this case must not be confined to your main case file on Levison but should also include a check of all cases where the desired information may be available and a thorough search of your references. It should be done in a painstaking and searching manner so as to insure that all information in your office which will reveal the above-desired information is brought to the attention of the Bureau. Furnish the Bureau a report containing the results of your efforts. Your report should set out in every instance those items which can be attributed to public sources as well as those where sources must be concealed.

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During the review, be constantly alert for sources and/or informants who are or have been in a position to know of Levison and of his past and present activities. Where sources are available for recontact and you feel such recontacts are feasible, such contacts should be made unless prior Bureau authority would be necessary. In such cases

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advise the Bureau and submit your recommendation as to whether the interview should be conducted. Photographs of Levison should be exhibited to individuals contacted in order to facilitate positive identification.

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All information concerning Levison which is located in your files as a result of your review or which is determined from additional inquiries and which has not been previously reported under instant caption must be included in your report.

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Letter to New York
RE: STANLEY DAVID LEVISON
100-392452

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Every item dealing with Levison's influence upon Martin Luther King, Jr., either directly or through organizations controlled by King or for his benefit, must be set out clearly and in detail.

Give this matter immediate and continuous handling. It should be afforded close supervision to insure its completion at the earliest practical date. Furnish results to the Bureau as soon as possible and no later than 30 days from the date of this communication.

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SUBJECT: MARTIN LUTHER KING
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[redacted] advised on 1/4/63, that on the morning of that date, CLARENCE JONES, Executive Director of the Ghandi Society of Human Rights, contacted STANLEY LEVISON at LEVISON's apartment in NYC.

JONES informed LEVISON that he just got a message from Atlanta "from MARTIN" (LUTHER KING). JONES said that

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MARTIN would like "the both of us" to come down to Dorchester (Ga.) on the 10th and the 11th because "they're going to be having a closeted review of where they are - a critical review." LEVISON commented that it sounded fine to him and he would probably go down on Wednesday (1/9/63) via Delta Airlines. JONES said he has a meeting in NYC, Wednesday evening so that he could not get a flight before 11:30 p.m. or later. JONES and LEVISON agreed to talk later regarding their plans for the trip.

[redacted] further advised on 1/6/63, that on the evening of that date, JONES again contacted LEVISON regarding their trip to Georgia later in the week. JONES stated that JACK (HUNTER PITTS O'DELL) had called him long distance from Atlanta and that JACK was going to see JONES tonight after returning from Atlanta. JONES commented that JACK was long overdue in returning to New York. LEVISON stated that JACK should be in "this discussion." JONES agreed and stated it was JACK's own idea to return to NY. JONES and LEVISON plan to take a 7:00 a.m. flight together on Thursday, 1/10/63, from Atlanta to Savannah. LEVISON plans to fly to Atlanta Wednesday evening and spend the night in a hotel. JONES expects to get into Atlanta at "some ghastly hour."

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Atlanta determine dates and purpose of O'DELL's presence in Atlanta. Atlanta and Savannah, through established sources, should follow LEVISON's activities while in your area.

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FROM: SAC, ATLANTA (100-6078) (P)

RE: HUNTER PITTS O'DELL, Aka.
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(OO: New York)

Re New York airtel to Bureau dated 1/7/63 captioned "MARTIN LUTHER KING, SM-C," New York teletype to Atlanta and Savannah dated 1/10/63 (Interoffice) and Savannah teletypes to Atlanta and New York dated 1/10/63 and 1/11/63 (Interoffice). b7c b7d

On 12/27/62, [redacted] Atlanta, Georgia, telephonically advised SA [redacted] that she had been reading in the newspapers that the subject was a Communist and the fact that Reverend MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., had released the subject when he found him to be connected with the Communist Party. b7c b7d

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On 1/4/63 [redacted] advised SA [redacted] that an [redacted] representative approached a representative of the SCLC at a recent Nashville, Tennessee, b7c b7d

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